

12GA6

Pentagrid Converter

7-PIN MINIATURE TYPE

For Automobile Radio Receivers Operating
Directly from 6-Cell Storage Batteries

GENERAL DATA

Electrical:

Heater, for Unipotential Cathode:

Voltage range (DC) 10 to 15.9 volts

*For longest life, it is recommended that the heater be
operated within the voltage range of 11 to 14 volts.*

Current (Approx.) at 12.6 volts 0.15 amp

Direct Interelectrode Capacitances:

	Without External Shield	With External Shield ^a	
Grid No.3 to all other electrodes (RF input)	8	8	μf
Plate to all other electrodes (Mixer output) . . .	8	13	μf
Grid No.1 to all other electrodes (Oscillator input) .	5	5	μf
Grid No.3 to plate.	0.3 max.	0.25 max.	μf
Grid No.3 to grid No.1.	0.15 max.	0.15 max.	μf
Grid No.1 to plate.	0.1 max.	0.05 max.	μf
Grid No.1 to cathode & grid No.5. .	2.5	2.5	μf
Cathode & grid No.5 to all other electrodes except grid No.1 . .	15	20	μf

Mechanical:

Operating Position. Any

Maximum Overall Length. 2-1/8"

Maximum Seated Length. 1-7/8"

Length, Base Seat to Bulb Top (Excluding tip) . . 1-1/2" \pm 3/32"

Diameter. 0.650" to 0.750"

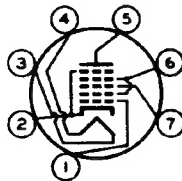
Dimensional Outline See *General Section*

Bulb. T5-1/2

Base. Small-Button Miniature 7-Pin (JEDEC No.E7-1)

Basing Designation for BOTTOM VIEW. 7CH

Pin 1-Grid No.1
Pin 2-Cathode,
Grid No.5
Pin 3-Heater
Pin 4-Heater



Pin 5-Plate
Pin 6-Grid No.2,
Grid No.4
Pin 7-Grid No.3

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Maximum Ratings, Design-Maximum Values:

PLATE VOLTAGE 16 max. volts



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GRID-No.3 (CONTROL-GRID) VOLTAGE:

Negative-bias value	16 max.	volts
Positive-bias value	0 max.	volts
GRIDS-No.2 & No.4 (SCREEN-GRID) VOLTAGE . . .	16 max.	volts

PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:

Heater negative with respect to cathode . .	16 max.	volts
Heater positive with respect to cathode . .	16 max.	volts

Typical Operation and Characteristics:

With separate excitation^b and with heater voltage of 12.6 volts

Plate Voltage	12.6	volts
Grids-No.2 & No.4 Voltage	12.6	volts
Grid-No.3 Supply Voltage	0	volts
Grid-No.3 Resistor (Bypassed)	2.2	megohms
RMS Grid-No.1 (Oscillator-Grid) Voltage . . .	1.6	volts
Grid-No.1 Resistor	33000	ohms
Plate Resistance (Approx.)	1	megohm
Conversion Transconductance	140	μ mhos
Grid-No.3 Voltage (Approx.) for conversion transconductance (μ mhos) =		
5	-3	volts
20	-2.5	volts
Plate Current	0.3	ma
Grids-No.2 & No.4 Current	0.8	ma
Grid-No.1 Current	0.06	ma

Oscillator Characteristics (Not Oscillating):

*With grids No.2 & No.4 connected to plate
and with heater voltage of 12.6 volts*

Plate and Grids-No.2 & No.4 Voltage	12.6	volts
Grid-No.3 Voltage	0	volts
Grid-No.1 Voltage	0	volts
Amplification Factor between grid No.1 and grids No.2 & No.4 connected to plate. . . .	9	
Transconductance between grid No.1 and grids No.2 & No.4 connected to plate. . . .	2400	μ mhos
Cathode Current	3.6	ma
Grid-No.1 Voltage (Approx.) for plate μ a = 10	-3.3	volts

Maximum Circuit Values:

Grid-No.3-Circuit Resistance.	10 max.	megohms
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^a With external shield JEDEC No.316 connected to cathode & grid No.5.

^b The characteristics shown with separate excitation correspond very closely with those obtained in a self-excited oscillator circuit operating with zero bias.

